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In re Application of: Andrew S. Van Luchene )

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
FACILITATING THE PLAY OF  
FRACTIONAL LOTTERY TICKETS  
UTILIZING POINT-OF-SALE  
TERMINALS )

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application prior to examination on the merits, as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 18, line 9, delete "on".

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

In FIG. 6, line 5 in TOTAL VALUE AMOUNT column, change "\$0.22" to --\$0.78--.

In FIG. 6, line 5 in AMOUNT TO ROUND UP column, change "\$0.87" to --\$0.22--.

In FIG. 11, line 1 column 1 under TICKET NUMBERS, insert --255--.

In FIG. 11, line 1 column 2 under TICKET PRICE, insert --256--.

In FIG. 11, line 1 column 3 under NUMBER OF TICKETS, insert --257--.

In FIGS. 5-9 and 11-13, amend as indicated in red ink on the attached copies of the drawings.



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